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For: IMAGE SENSING APPARATUS EMPLOYING DARK IMAGE DATA TO
CORRECT DARK NOISE (AS AMENDED)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the instant application, please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.